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Dear Jeff:

Subj: Draft Phase 2 Remedial Investigation/Focused Feasibility Study (RI/FFS)
Report for Installation Restoration (IR) Site 1 - Northeast Pond
Disposal Area; Naval Weapons Industrial Reserve Plant (NWIRP)
Calverton, New York

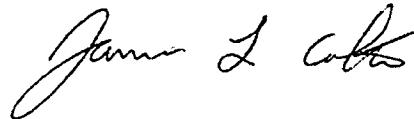
Enclosed is the Navy's Draft Phase 2 Remedial Investigation/Focused Feasibility Study (RI/FFS) Report for Installation Restoration (IR) Site 1 - Northeast Pond Disposal Area located at the Navy's former NWIRP Calverton, New York facility. It is requested that this report be reviewed and any comments be forwarded to me no later than August 31, 2001.

Information regarding this site was previously forwarded to Calverton's former Technical Review Committee (TRC) for review in a report dated January 19, 1998. Subsequently, the Navy decided to pursue stabilization of the landfill's bank since erosion of the bank into the adjacent wetland was continuing to contribute contamination to the wetland sediments and also presenting an unsafe environment. Accordingly, the Navy finalized an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Estimate (EECA) in September 2000 outlining different alternatives for bank stabilization. Shortly thereafter, it was brought to the Navy's attention that due to a significant decrease in landfill charges around the country, that it might now be more economical to pursue full landfill excavation thereby eliminating any and all long-term maintenance and liability on the Navy's part.

The Navy has taken out all information from the 1998 report relevant to the Site 1 RI effort and is issuing the enclosed document as a stand-alone document for Site 1. However, this revised draft document has now incorporated a focused feasibility study that has evaluated three alternatives for remediation of the Site 1 landfill. Those alternatives include the no action alternative, bank stabilization as described in the September 2000 EECA with a NYSDEC Part 360 cap, and full landfill excavation with offsite disposal. These three alternatives are described in more detail in Sections 5 through 7 of the enclosed report. It is the Navy's intention to solicit input from the regulatory and community members of the RAB regarding these three alternatives before making a final decision regarding the remediation of IR Site 1.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the enclosed document further, please give me a call me at (610) 595-0567, extension 163. If you wish to submit your comments electronically, my email address is colterjl@efane.navfac.navy.mil

Sincerely,



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By direction of the
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Enclosure: (1) Draft Phase 2 RI and FFS for Site 1

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